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PRESIDING OFFICER'S  
RULING NO. R97-1/29

Postal Rate and Fee Changes

Docket No. R97-1

PRESIDING OFFICER'S RULING  
GRANTING MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

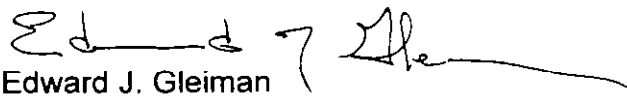
(September 26, 1997)

On September 18, 1997, the Office of the Consumer Advocate filed a motion to compel a response to interrogatory OCA/USPS-T22-12. On September 25, 1997, the due date for the response to that motion the Postal Service filed a request for an extension of time, until September 30, 1997, to file its response. The Postal Service indicates that it has contacted counsel for OCA who does not oppose the request.

The Postal Service indicates that it will forward a copy of its response to OCA counsel via facsimile on September 30, 1997, and further that it anticipates that the response will be available well before the close of business. Additionally, the Postal Service indicates it will use this time to determine whether any of the possible options offered by the OCA are appropriate in the resolution of this controversy.

RULING

The Motion of United States Postal Service for Extension of Time to Reply to Office of the Consumer Advocate's Motion to Compel a Response to OCA/USPS-T22-12, filed September 25, 1997, is granted.

  
Edward J. Gleiman  
Presiding Officer